Summer Activities

Welcome to Warriors' Path State Park! We hope you will enjoy your visit! While you are with us, we invite you to take advantage of the rich natural beauty and wealth of opportunities for enjoyable recreation here at the park.

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MONDAY, JULY 16

- **5:00 PM** THE ORIGINAL CLIP ART Come join all the other "cut-ups" at the Open Air Chapel. All it takes is scissors, paper, and your ingenuity to make some amazing creations. We'll have the scissors and paper, you bring yourself to the Open Air Chapel, or main bath house if it is raining.
- **6:30 PM HOLSTON BLUFFS RAILROAD TOUR** Our park is tied to history through the rails! Let's hike the old railroad grade, and hear the stories of these old railroaders' lives. Meet at the campground check-in station.
- **9:00 PM PREDATORS** They're not "mean" animals they're just hungry! Enjoy a slide show on these special member's of nature's balance. Meet at the Open Air Chapel, or pool entrance if it is raining.

TUESDAY, JULY 17

- 9:00 AM HIKE THE "DARWIN'S REVENGE" TRAIL It may have a very strange name, but it is an awesome trail! Come spend several hours in one of the most beautiful and wildest parts of the park. Be sure to wear good walking shoes, comfortable clothes, and bring some drinking water. Meet at the campground check-in station and we'll carpool.
- **11:30 AM MEET YOUR BUG -** Our park is full of bugs! Come discover the bugs of the park, then find out how to make your very own, personal bug! Meet at the open air chapel of main bath house if it's raining.
- **1:00 PM A NUTTY FRUITY HIKE -** No, we're not "nuts," we're just trying to find some wildlife food. Meet at the main bath house to search for some ripe discoveries.
- **3:00 PM LIFE CYCLE MOBILES -** How do caterpillars become butterflies?

 Make your own mobile of the four stages of metamorphosis. Adults must be accompanied by a child 10 years old or younger. Meet at the main bath house.
- **4:00 PM WONDERFUL WILDFLOWERS WALK -** Early summer is a perfect time for blooming things! Come for a hike among the beautiful wildflowers of the park. Drive to the camper check-in station, and we'll carpool.
- **5:00 PM CRITTER PATHS** Be a critter detective! Find out what's been wandering through the campground habitats. Meet at the camper checkin station.
- **6:00 PM WASTE KNOT -** Where does our trash go? Let's see if we can track it! Meet at the main bathhouse for an eye-opening experience.

TUESDAY, CONTINUED:

- **7:00 PM SKULLS NATURE'S TOOL BOX** Animals carry along the tools they need for survival! Come investigate some natural "tool boxes," and find out more about each animal's job! Meet at the Open Air Chapel,(main bath house if rain).
- **8:00 PM FLOWER MAKING -** We love flowers, but we hate that they die so quickly! Join us at the main bathhouse to make your own flowers that will never wilt!
- **9:00 PM NIGHT HIKE TO SINKING WATERS -** It's a whole different world out there at night! Tonight is our chance to discover the peace and the excitement of a night in the Sinking Waters wetland. Bring a dim flashlight and drive to the camper check-in station. We'll carpool out to the park back country.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 18

- **9:00 AM HIKE THE BONEYARD** Come explore a remote corner of Warriors' Path, full of geologic discovery. This will be a challenging 2-3 mile hike, so be sure to wear comfortable clothes, good hiking shoes, and bring some drinking water. Drive to the camper check-in station, and we'll carpool.
- **10:30 AM BIKE HIKE TO DEVIL'S BACKBONE** Let's ride our bikes and then take an exciting hike up the ridge. Pedal on down to the camper check-in station, and we'll ride to the start of our hike. Note that ALL riders MUST wear a bicycle helmet. Children 10 or under must be accompanied by an adult!
- **RAFT CRAFT** Years ago, men needed to know how to make rafts of huge logs, to travel the river and to sell timber. Today we can make little rafts just for fun, and to remember those early days. Meet at the Open Air Chapel (or main bath house if it is raining). We might even try out our new toy rafts at the shore!
- **2:00 PM JUNGLE JEWELRY -** Come make necklaces and bracelets with natural objects! You'll get to learn fun ways to control those invasive species that try to take over our landscapes. Meet at the main bathhouse.
- **3:00 PM** MICRO-PARKS Here's your chance to plan and share your own nature park. You might even get "paid" by your "customers"! Bring your best park managing skills to the Open Air Chapel, or main bath house if it is raining.
- **4:00 PM** RIVERBANK STROLL -This green river valley has seen generations of travelers. This afternoon we'll travel together, searching for signs of the wildlife and the people who came before us. Meet at the main campground bath house.
- **5:00 PM ANIMAL CHARADES** An old favorite with a new twist. See who can act out the best critter! Meet at the Open Air Chapel (main bath house if it is raining.)
- **7:00 PM UN-NATURE HIKE** Every part of nature is important. Even the small and the common things have their place. But on this hike, some things just don't belong! Help us find the nature mistakes. Meet at the main bath house.
- **9:00 PM** FIRE BUILDING TIPS It's just not camping without a campfire! But there are ways to make your campfire safer for us, and for our park land. Meet at the campfire circle, east end of the campground for some tips.

THURSDAY, JULY 19

- **9:30 AM FALL CREEK LOOP TRAIL** -Let's hike the park's most scenic trail! Enjoy beautiful vistas of the summer fields, as we search for signs of the unique habitats in the open country. Drive to the camper check-in station, and we'll carpool to the start of a two hour hike.
- 11:00 AM BIRD BEHAVIOR HUNT Join us on a scavenger hunt for bird behavior. We'll be looking for pecking, foraging, mating behaviors, and more! Meet at the Open Air Chapel, or the main bathhouse if it rains.

THURSDAY, CONTINUED:

- **PINE CONE BIRD FEEDERS** Let's make a snack for our feathered friends! Meet at the main bath house, and you'll be able to bring back home your own little bird feeder.
- **1:30 PM BEACH SEARCH -** The lakeshore is full of tiny beaches, full of signs of wildlife and clues to the people who once traveled here. Each wave brings us new things to find! Meet at the main bath house to begin our natural "treasure hunt."
- **3:00 PM DREAM CATCHERS** Let's make these "catchy" little decorations, inspired by Native American craft. Meet at the main bath house.
- **4:00 PM WET WORLDS** For us, the lake is a place to go boating or fishing. But for the micro-world of plankton, it's a home. Come help us sample this incredible world of tiny lives floating in lake water. Meet at the main bath house, and we'll stroll on down to the shore.
- **4:30 PM LIFE UNDER LOGS** Every corner of this earth is a home and rotten logs are some of the best! Help us "dig into" this unique habitat. Meet at the main bath house, and be ready to get your hands dirty.
- **6:00 PM** WHAT YOU EAT You are what you eat! See how much you know about your food as we discover what animals eat in the park. Meet at the main bathhouse.
- **7:00 PM FRIENDSHIP BRACELETS** All it takes is a little embroidery thread, a little time, and a little skill. We'll bring the thread, and you bring your talents to the main bath house.
- **9:00 PM TRAILS AT WARRIORS' PATH -** Enjoying your time at Warriors but looking for more to do? Come to the Open Air Chapel for a slide-illustrated exploration of the trails we have to offer year-round! Meet at the pool entrance if it rains.

FRIDAY, JULY 20

- **9:30 AM WAKE UP WALK** Let's wake up our senses to morning in the forest. Meet at the main bath house for a refreshing morning walk.
- **10:30 AM TRACKS & TRINKETS** Create your own notecards, bookmarks, and more, personalized with tracks from Park animals. Meet at the main bathhouse.
- 11:30 AM BIKE RIDE AND STREAM STOMP Come explore creek life. That cool creek water sure will feel good after a warm bike ride. Pedal on down to the camper check-in station, and we'll ride down to the creek. Be sure to wear old clothes and shoes we will get wet and muddy! Note that ALL riders MUST wear a bicycle helmet. Children 10 or under must be accompanied by an adult!
- **1:00 PM PAPER PLATE MASKS** What can you be? A wolf? A bear? A kitten? Or a creature you design yourself! Bring your imagination to the main bath house.
- **2:00 PM THE INCREDIBLE EDIBLE CAMPFIRE -** Let's learn the essentials of building a campfire in the safest, most environmentally friendly way possible, and then enjoy our tasty creation when we're finished! Meet at the Open Air Chapel or Main Bathhouse if it's raining.
- **3:00 PM BIKE RIDE TO THE DUCK ISLAND** Meet at the camper check-in station and we'll pedal on down to Duck Island! We'll have a chance to watch the ducks, and discover more about their fascinating behavior! Note that ALL riders MUST wear a bicycle helmet. Children 10 or under must be accompanied by an adult!
- **TAG** You're it! You're the one we need to make all these great tag games work. Meet at the Open Air Chapel for all kinds of tag games. If it is raining, meet at the main bath house.

FRIDAY, CONTINUED:

- **6:00 PM**NATIVE AMERICAN TALES Native Americans had their own myths and legends about why the natural world works the way it does. For any lore-lover, the authentic stories told here will awaken your mind to the world around you. Meet at the Open Air Chapel, or meet at the main bathhouse if it rains.
- **7:00 PM**MEET THE OWL Meet a real live feathered hunter. Come to the Open Air Chapel and see "whooo..." is waiting for you. If it is raining, meet at the main bath house.
- **9:00 PM DRAGONFLIES -** These fascinating insects have some amazing life stories to tell. Come enjoy a slide-illustrated talk about these "bugs" that zip through the summer skies. Meet at the Open Air Chapel, or the pool entrance if it's raining.

SATURDAY, JULY 21

- **9:30 AM WETLAND WALK -** Wetlands are wet, and full of life! Come along for a soggy hike near Fall Creek. We might even spot a few dragonflies! Drive to the camper check-in station, and we'll carpool.
- 11:00 AM RIVER BRUNCH Join us for a leisurely walk along the Lake Hollow Trail. We'll be picnic-brunching by the river, so be sure to bring your own light meal! Meet at the main campground bath house.
- **12 NOON 100 INCH HIKE** Especially for small, tired feet! Discover life on the tiny side. This will also be a great chance to catch a critter for the races! Meet at the main bath house.
- **12:30 PM CRITTER RACE FOR FREEDOM -** Bring your best creepy crawler to the main bath house. They'll all win, because they'll all get their freedom. No pets or flying creatures please.
- **1:00 PM JUNIOR RANGERS: THE INCREDIBLE JOURNEY OF WATER -** Do you know where your water comes from? This activity combines beadwork with a dice game that allows you to create a beautiful bracelet of where your water has traveled! Meet at the main bathhouse.
- **3:00 PM CORN HUSK CRAFTS** The early settlers along the Warriors' Path couldn't afford to waste anything! Even old corn husks could become a doll or toy. Meet at the Open Air Chapel to try this old-timey craft. If it's raining, meet at the main bath house.
- **6:00 PM SEED RACES** Wind, water, and animals carry seeds of new trees and plants all across the land. Our "wind" can help too! Meet at the Open Air Chapel to show off your "hot air" and plant some new life. Meet at the main bath house if it rains.
- **9:00 PM TENNESSEE WILDERNESS** Enjoy a slide-illustrated tour of Tennessee's wild, scenic places and the special values they hold. After the slide show, well have a demonstration of how to read wildlife signs. Meet at the Open Air Chapel, or pool entrance if it's raining.

SUNDAY, JULY 22

9:30 AM WORSHIP SERVICE - Enjoy a peaceful morning worship service at the Open Air Chapel, or at the pool entrance if it is raining. Sponsored by the Colonial Heights Baptist Church.

SPECLAL NOTE: We work hard to make our programs both safe and fun! However, as with any outdoor activity, there is always a risk of personal discomfort or even personal injury. Please use your common sense and care whenever you enjoy activities in the **Great Tennessee Outdoors.**